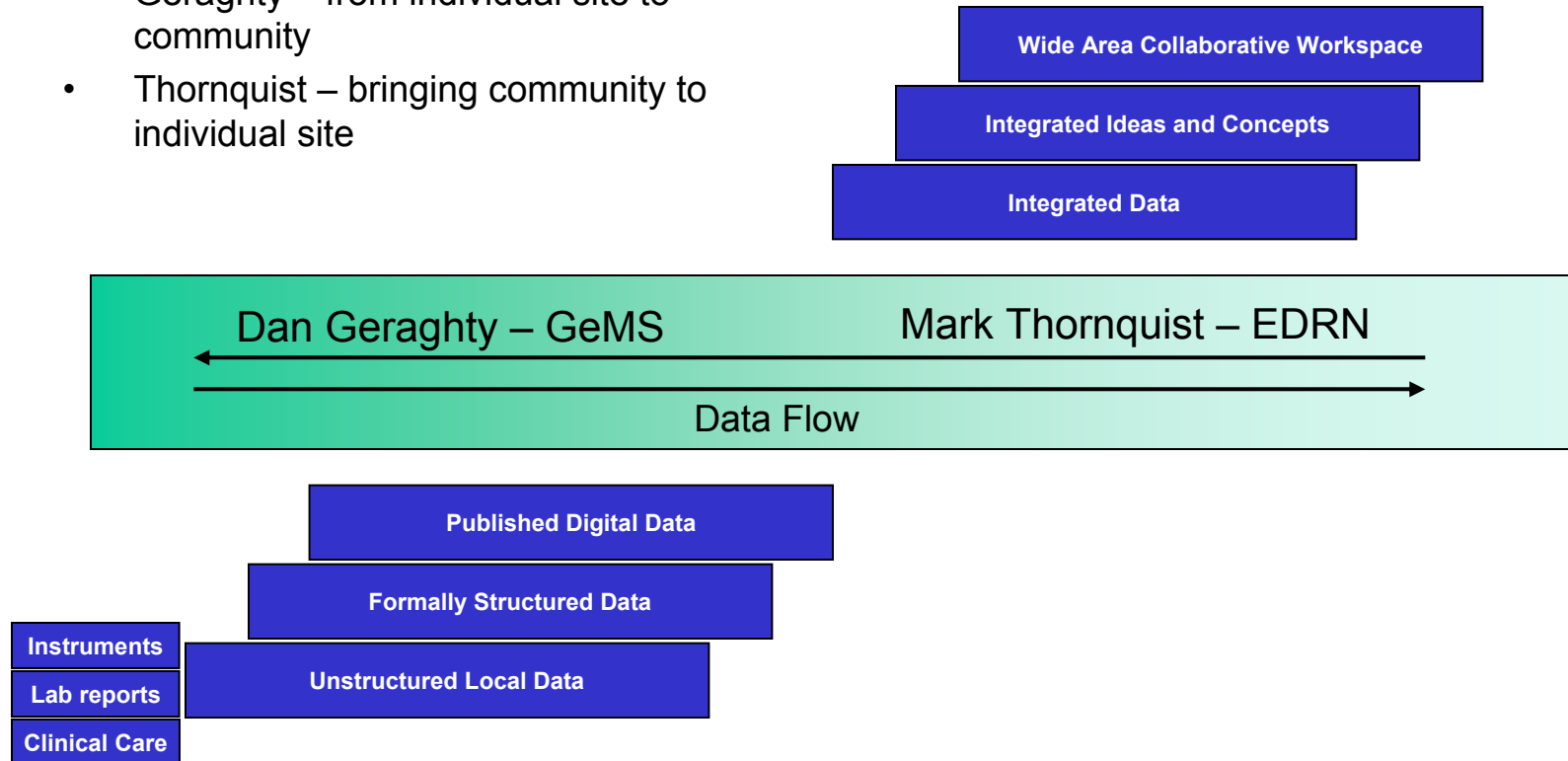


caBIG Architecture Kickoff Meeting Presentation Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

Mark Thornquist, Derek Walker, Heather Kincaid, Rahul Joshi, Dan Geraghty, Robert Robbins.

Data Sharing Continuum

- Geraghty – from individual site to community
- Thornquist – bringing community to individual site



Development Principles

- Roadmap Driven: all pieces align with a reference architecture / roadmap
- Flexibility in inputs and outputs: allows variety of data types and meta data classifications to co-exist within the same system
- Scalable Design: retain system performance under increasing system load
- Wide Ranging: retain consistency with other information technology initiatives
- Technology Agnostic: allow for variety of technologies to exchange data
- Open source: allow interested parties to adopt, modify and improve the current state

Different Approaches for Different Circumstances

Geraghty – GeMS

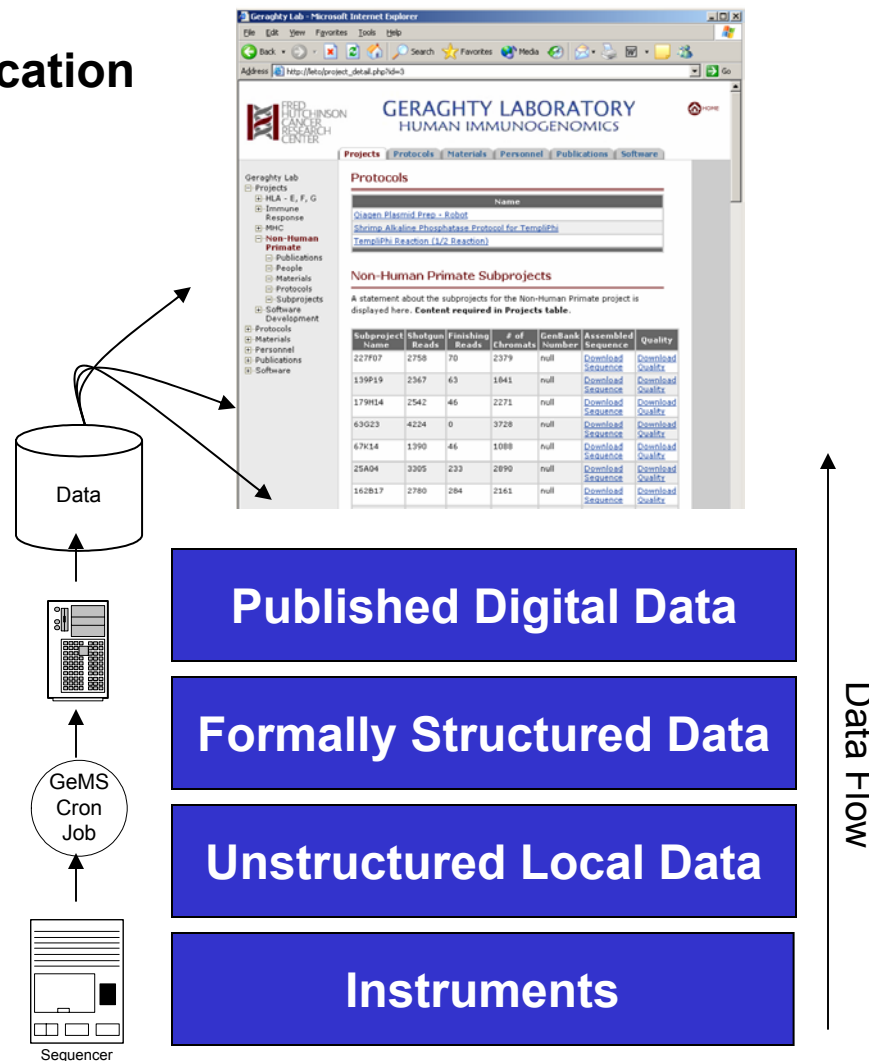
- Integration through usage
- Provide useful, needed tools – resulting in *de facto* common data

Thornquist – EDRN

- Integration through middleware
- Map existing databases to common data elements

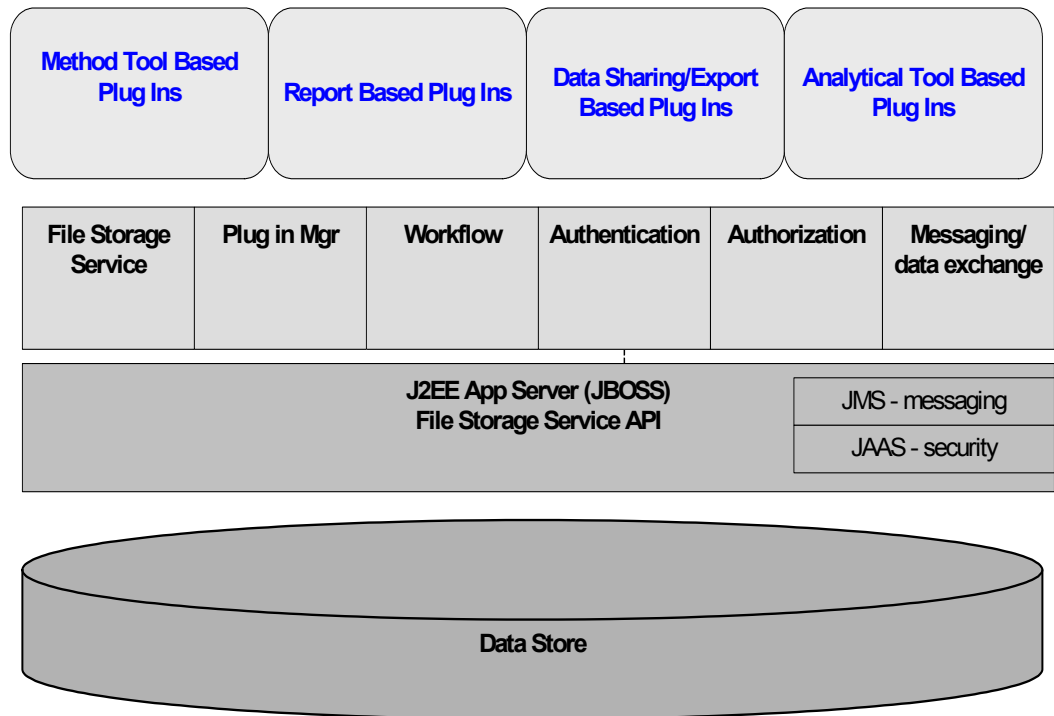
From Data Generation to Data Publication

- Nightly Data pick up by system
- Unstructured and unrelated data sent to GeMS server for processing
- Data related to associated parameters
- Subset of data made available to the Geraghty website



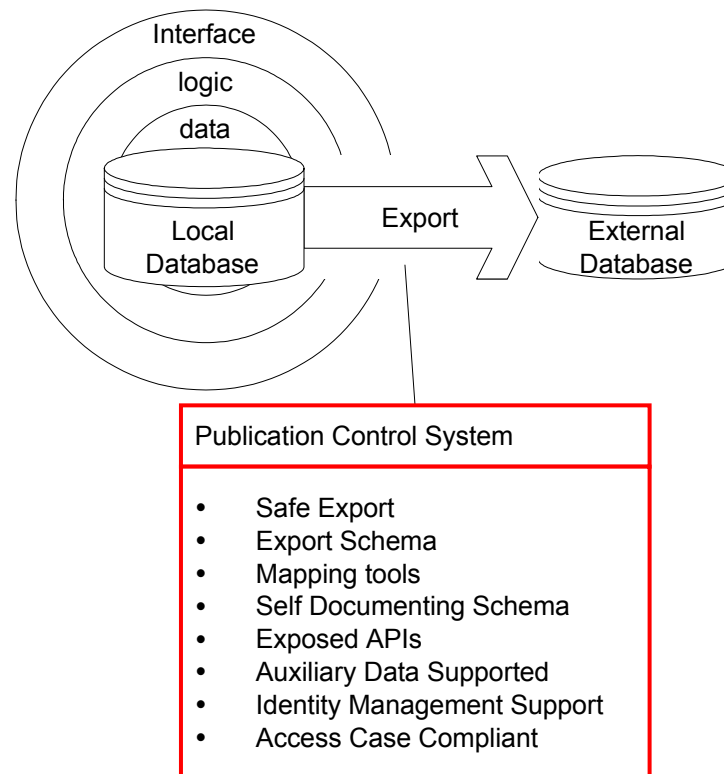
GeMS Architecture

- The data store is accessed through a file storage service API that acts as a DAO (Data Access Object) Layer.
- Core services is made available above J2EE application server. These services are used by the plugins to carry out their functions.
 - File Storage Service—manages file system*
 - Authentication – identify validation*
 - Authorization – users level of access*
 - Messaging – local workflow processes and collaboration with remot sites*
 - Plugin Manager – manages the resigration of plugin components*
 - Workflow – manages the workflow agents, their states, and the associated triggers*
- Plugins represent the functional components that use the core services.



Generalizing the Data over a grid

- Next phase to build data sharing mechanism based on development of generic publication control system (export server)
- Test publication control and data sharing across disciplines with the Thornquist's EDRN/ERNE development efforts



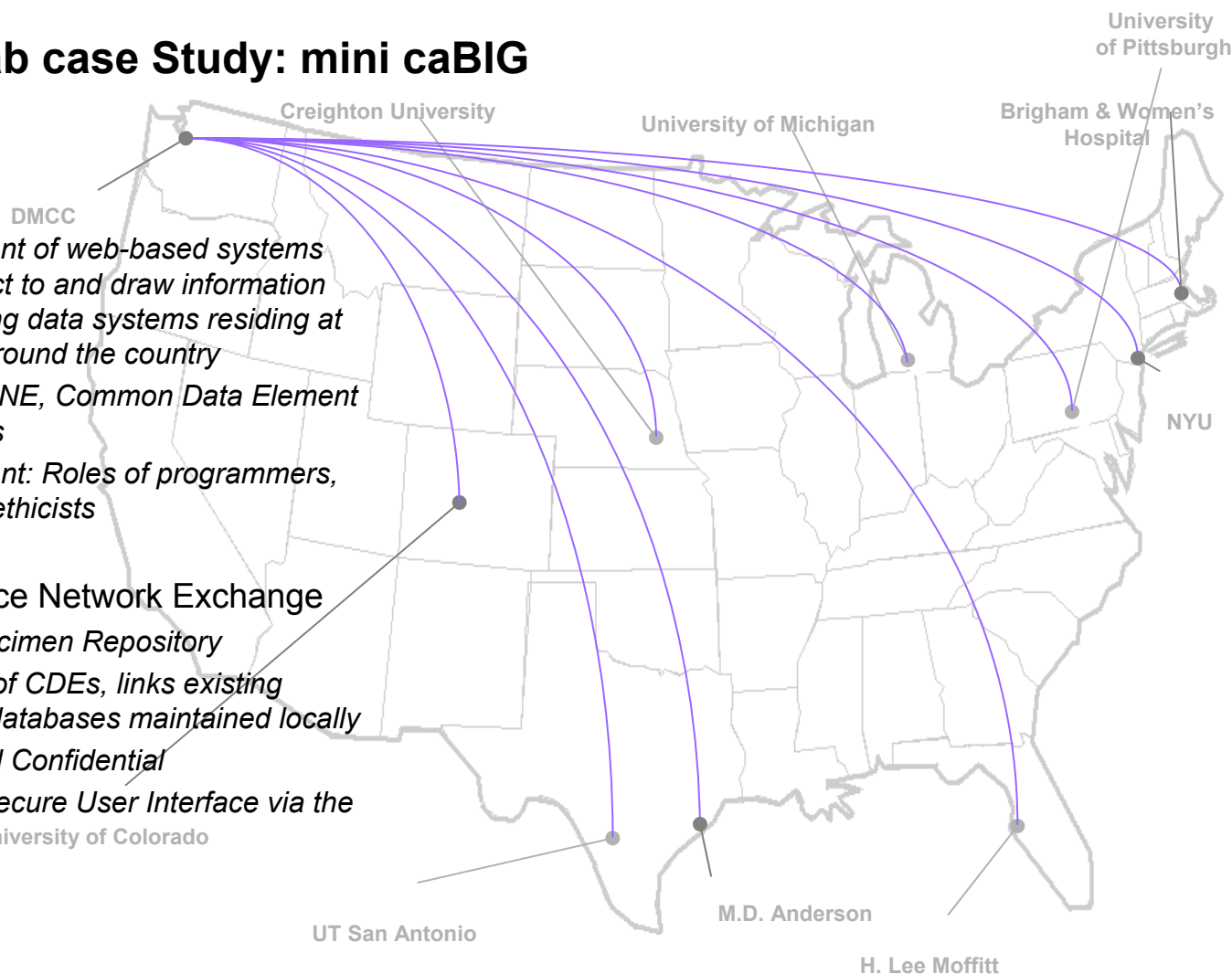
Thornquist Lab case Study: mini caBIG

- Structure

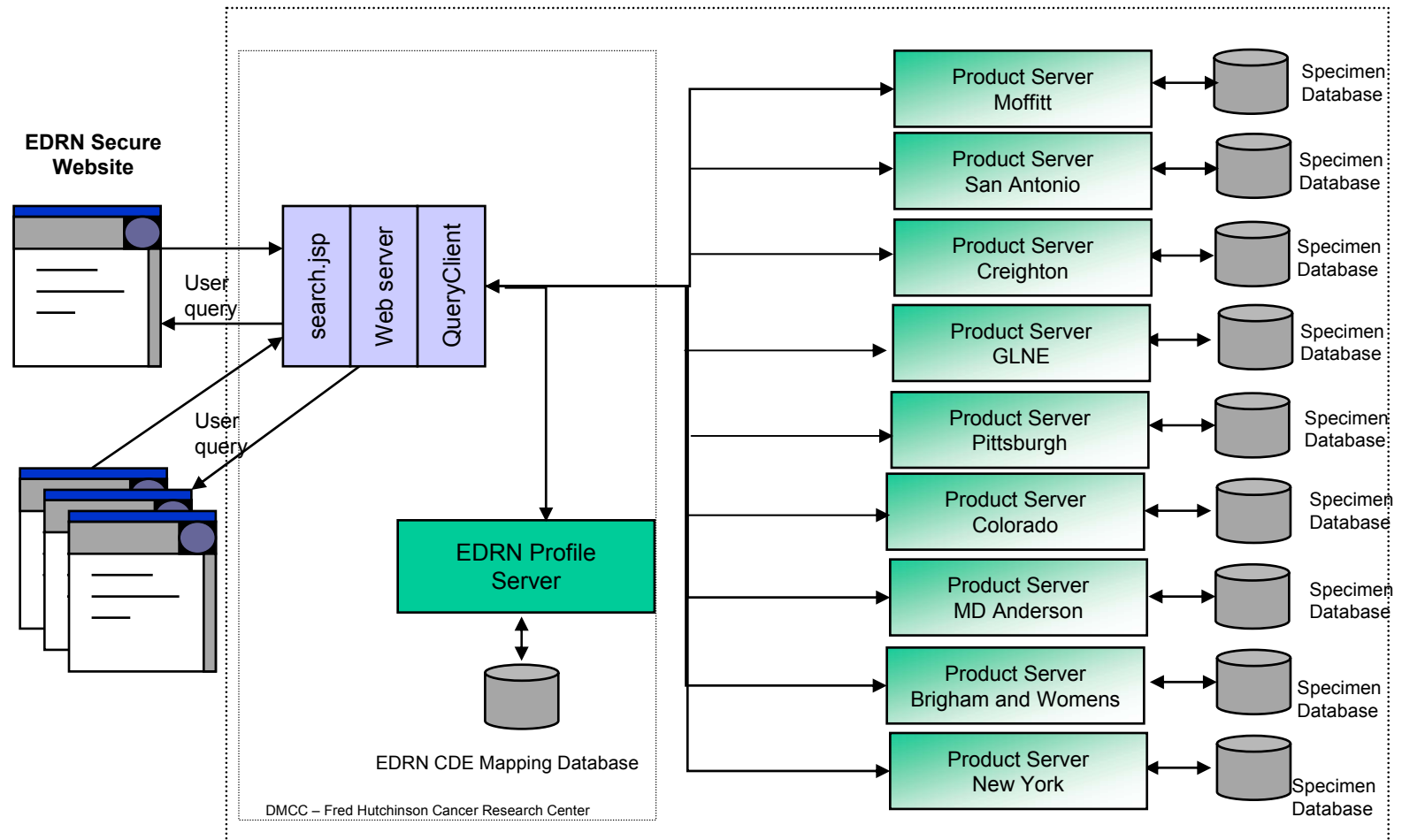
- Development of web-based systems that connect to and draw information from existing data systems residing at locations around the country
- Pieces: ERNE, Common Data Element (CDE) tools
- Development: Roles of programmers, scientists, ethicists

- EDRN Resource Network Exchange

- Virtual Specimen Repository
- By means of CDEs, links existing specimen databases maintained locally
- Secure and Confidential
- Dynamic Secure User Interface via the Internet



Software Component Deployment

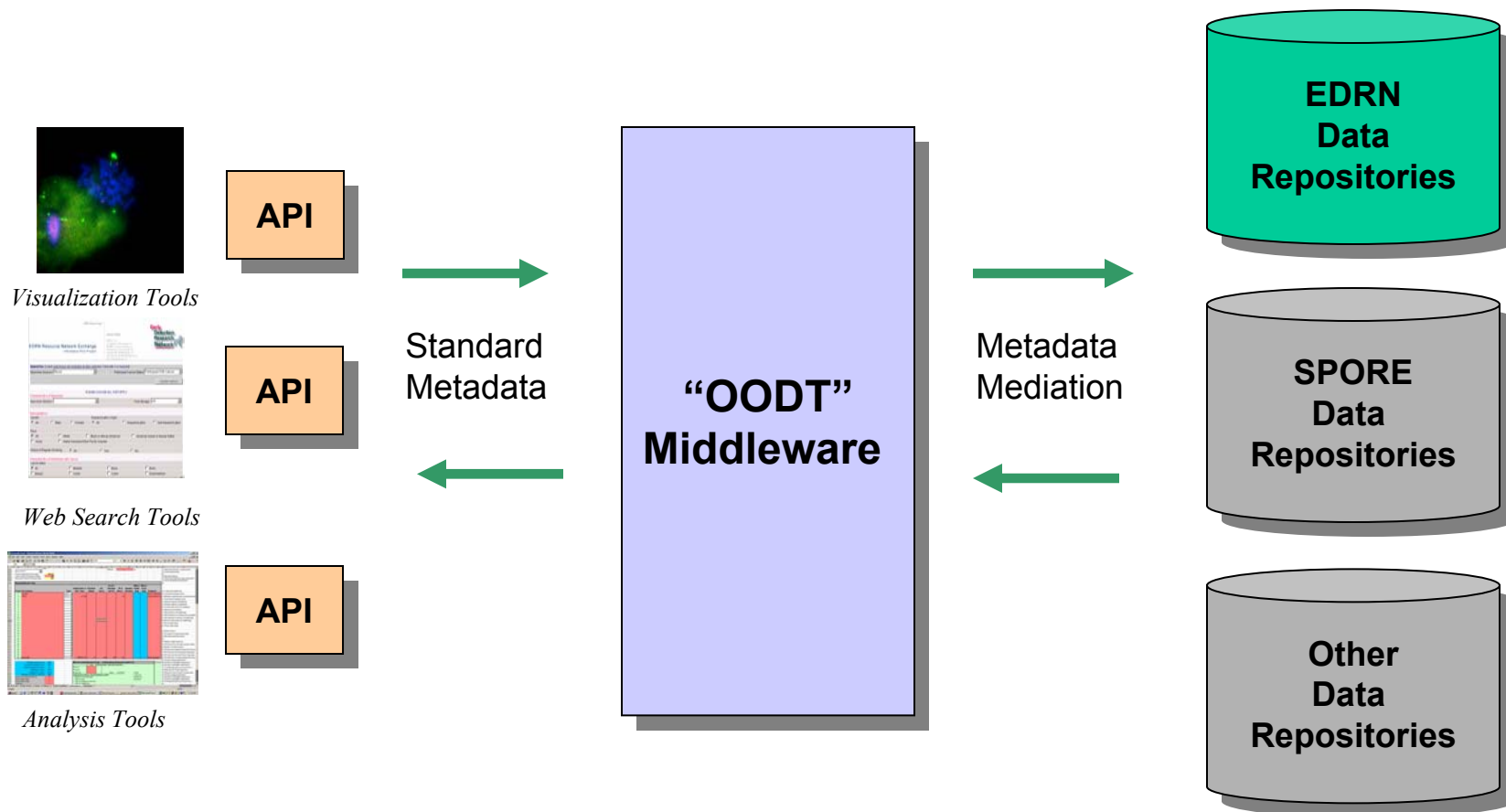


EDRN Bioinformatics Architecture

1. API's exposed for Bioinformatics tools and applications

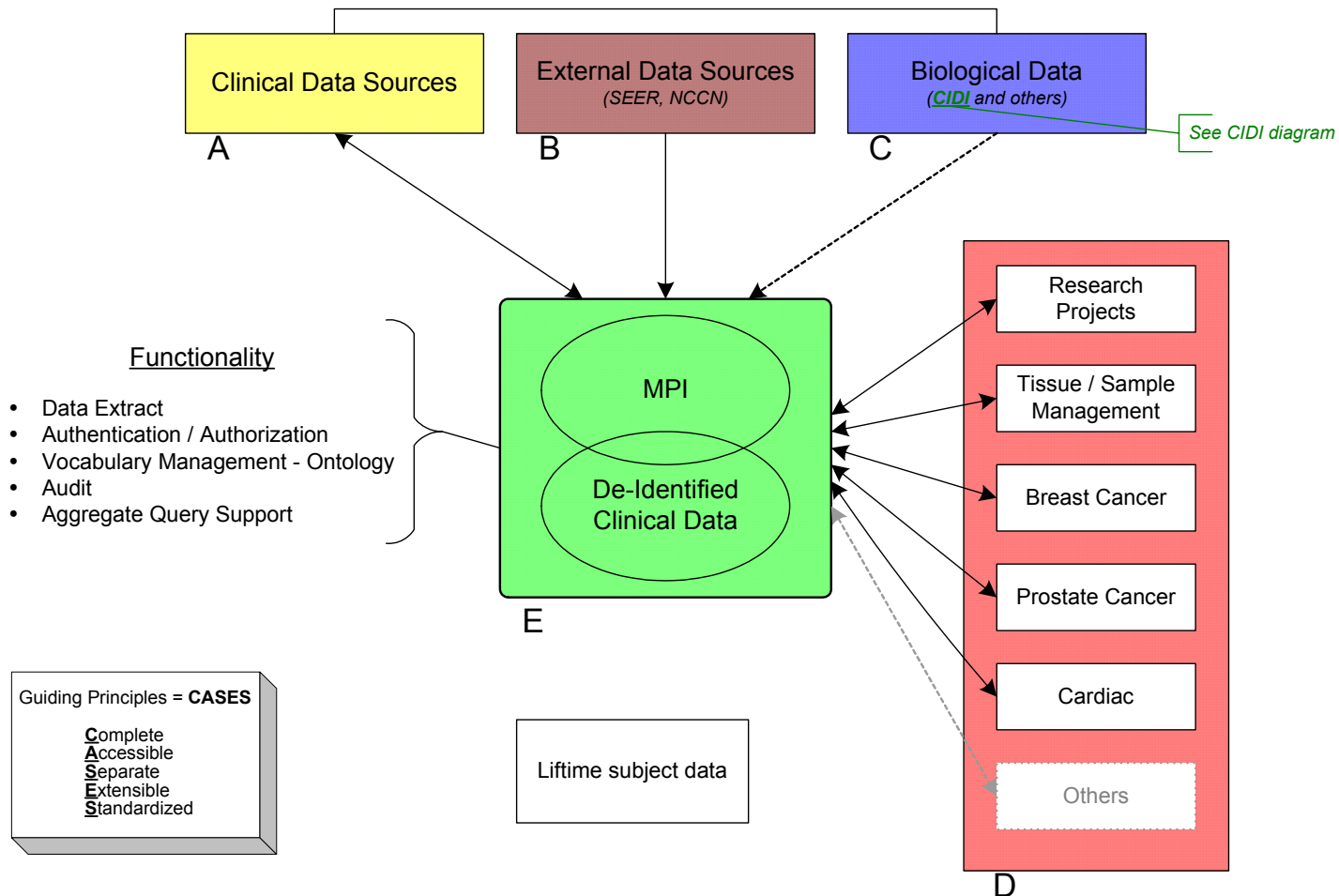
2. Middleware creates the informatics infrastructure connecting systems and data

3. Repositories for storing and retrieving many data types data



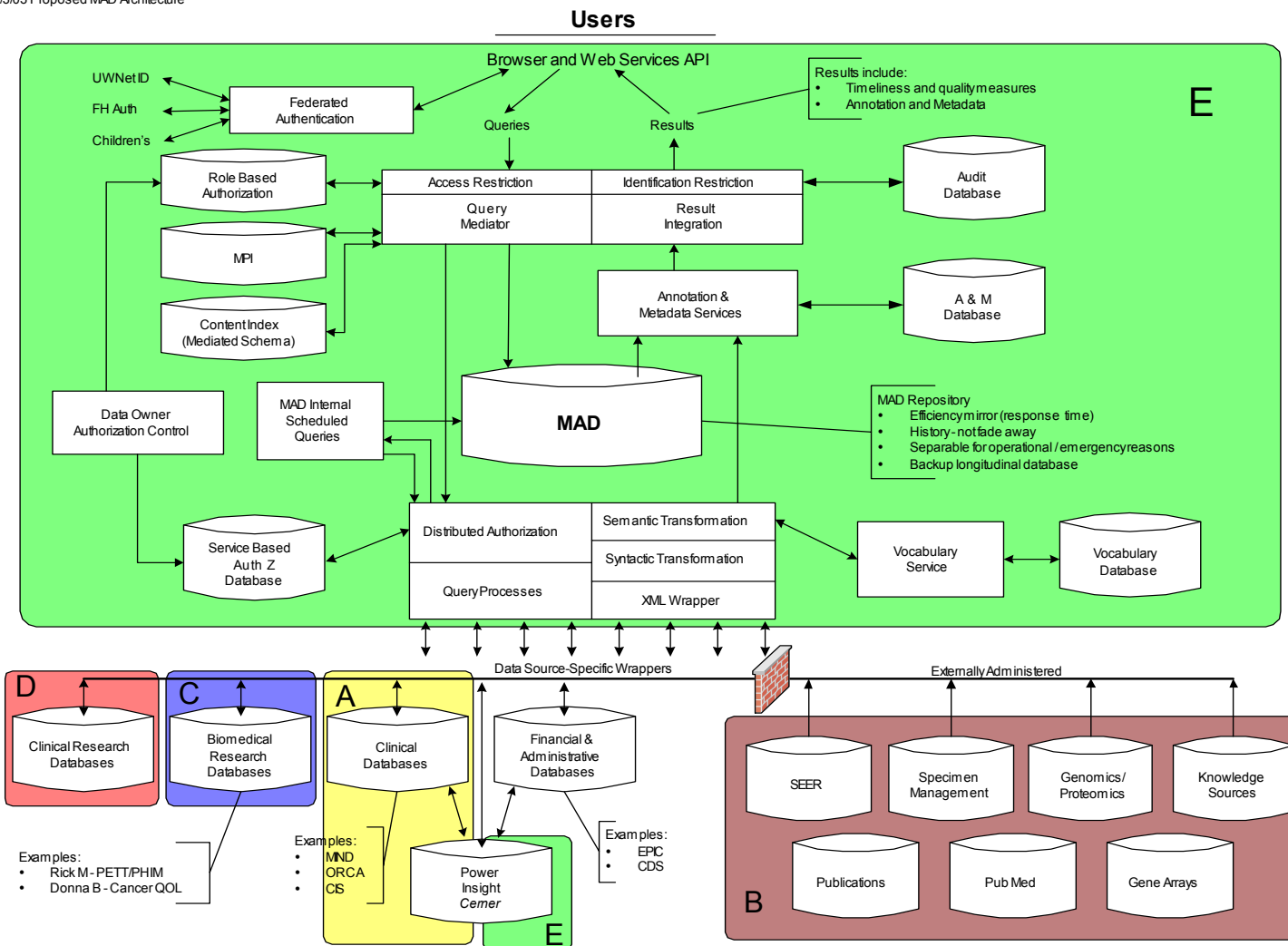
Reference Architecture – Conceptual Design

High Level View



Reference Architecture – Detailed View

4/3/03 Proposed MAD Architecture



Summary

- Support the establishing and maintenance of common architecture
 - *Fostering alignment with a common vision in software design with an eye to collaboration*
 - *Development of tools that can interoperate between institutions/research initiatives*
 - *Understand the need to build and share these tools in a systematic way*
- Experience and Lessons Learned
 - *Managing and integrating systems from a variety of sources*
 - *Data publishing in real time as it becomes available*
 - *Challenges in supporting a variety of hardware and software systems*
- Flexibility is Essential
 - *Existing variability in data sets/systems/vocabularies/implementations that must be assembled in a grid environment*
 - *Depending on degree of expertise and budget available to the individual researcher*
 - *Based on the evolving nature of data elements in discovery oriented research*
 - *Based on the evolving nature of technology (connectivity, software platforms, hardware platforms)*